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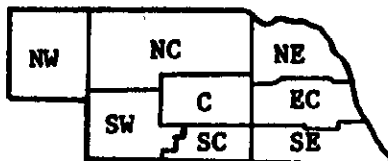
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WEATHER

As of Friday, September 11, less than an inch of rain was reported over the west while the east received between two-tenths and four-tenths toward the latter part of the week. Heavy rains of an inch or more occurred in a number of areas over the weekend. Temperatures remained about four degrees above normal.

GENERAL

Above normal temperatures for the second straight week helped move development of corn and soybeans to within one and one-half weeks of normal. However, while sorghum gained ground this week, most of the crop was still about two and one-half weeks behind normal. Dry bean harvest spread into most areas of the Panhandle and southwest. Winter wheat seeding moved eastward out of the Panhandle. Silage cutting was slow to gain momentum with half of the crop not yet in the dent stage. Producers continued to struggle with the dry down of the third cutting of alfalfa. Days suitable for fieldwork were 6.0.

As of Friday, September 10, topsoil moisture supplies rated 30% short, 67% adequate and 3% surplus. Subsoil supplies were 12% short, 85% adequate and 3% surplus. A year ago, topsoil moisture supplies were 17% short and 83% adequate. Subsoil supplies were 20% short and 80% adequate.

CROPS

Corn crop condition rated 17% fair, 67% good and 16% excellent. Ninety percent of the crop was in the dough stage compared to 95%

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last year and 99% normal. Denting had occurred on half of the acreage with 70% dented last year and 80% considered normal. Only 3% of the acreage was considered mature with 15% a year ago and 30% normal. Second brood corn borers continued active in a number of late planted fields and rust was appearing in parts of the south and east.

Soybean crop conditions were 1% poor, 18% fair, 75% good and 6% excellent. Twenty percent of the crop was turning color with 50% last year and 55% normal. Only 2% of the acreage was dropping leaves, behind 10% last year and 15% normal.

Sorghum crop conditions rated 1% poor, 26% fair, 66% good and 7% excellent. Thirty-five percent of the crop was turning color, still well behind 75% a year ago and 85% normal.

Winter wheat seeding picked up momentum in western and central counties and was 20% sown by week's end. This compares to 30% last year and normal.

Harvest of the third cutting of alfalfa moved ahead slowly to 80% complete. A year ago, 85% of the third cutting had been harvested and 98% is normal.

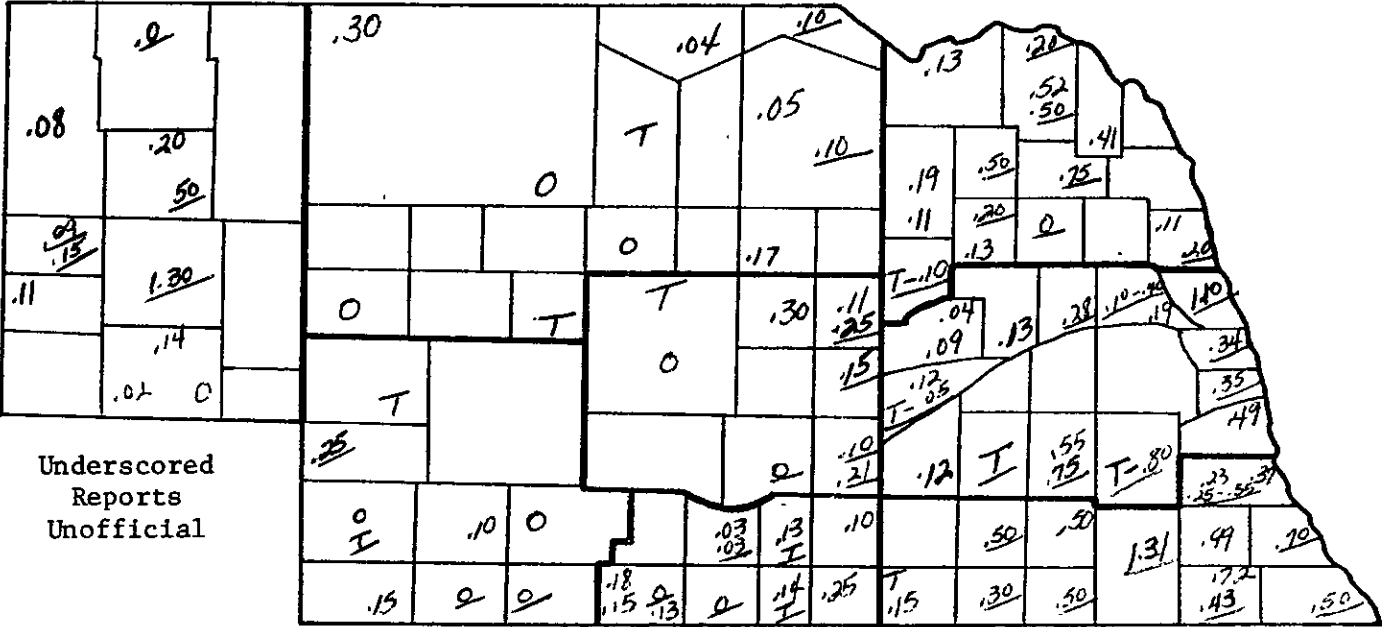
LIVESTOCK

Pasture and range feed supplies continued to rate adequate in almost all areas of the state. Strong demand for feeder cattle and pigs continued.

Precipitation, April 1 - September 10, 1982

	NW	NC	NE	CEN	EC	SW	SC	SE
Total past week10	.10	.20	.10	.30	.10	.10	.40
Total since April 1	15.30	14.80	19.90	15.10	23.00	15.90	17.50	23.20
Normal since April 1	12.84	15.35	18.20	16.90	19.80	14.28	17.33	21.22

PRECIPITATION MAP FOR WEEK ENDING FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 1982



TEMPERATURE AND PRECIPITATION DATA FOR WEEK ENDING SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 1982

Station		Temperature			Precipitation	
		Extremes		Mean	Departure	Total Inches <u>1/</u>
		Max	Min			
NW	Chadron	96	49	69	--	.20
	Scotts Bluff	94	46	66	+3	.71
	Sidney	--	--	--	--	--
NC	Ord	--	--	--	--	--
	Valentine	101	45	68	+4	2.21
	Norfolk	91	56	69	+4	.40
NE	Sioux City	87	62	72	+7	.99
	Grand Island	92	59	70	+3	1.10
CEN	Lincoln	88	63	74	+6	1.22
	Omaha	86	63	72	+6	1.89
EC	Imperial	94	48	66	--	.22
	North Platte	98	48	67	+2	.18

1/ Precipitation totals not included in map above.

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